RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Congress of the United States be requested to amend The Surface Mining control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (P.L. 95-87) by amending Section 503(a)(7) of the Act, by striking the phrase "regulations issued by the Secretary pursuant to"; and, in Section 701(25) of the Act, by striking the phrase "and regulations issued by the Secretary pursuant to this Act," in order to authorize the coal producing states to establish surface mining and reclamation programs, within their respective states, consistent with this Act, without the further requirement of consistency with federal rules and regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Charles McC. Mathias, Jr. and Paul S. Sarbanes, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; and Representatives Robert E. Bauman, Clarence D. Long, Barbara A. Mikulski, Marjorie S. Holt, Gladys N. Spellman, Beverly B. Byron, Parren J. Mitchell, and Michael D. Barnes, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Morris K. Udall, Chairman, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, 235 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D. C. 20515; Lt. Governor George D.H. McMillan and Rep. Joe C. McCorquodale, Jr., State Capitol, Montgomery, Alabama 36130; Senator Leo Corbet and Rep. Frank Kelley, State Capitol, Phoenix, Arizona 85007; Lt. Governor Joe Purcell and Rep. John E. Miller, State Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201; Senator Fred E. Anderson and Rep. Robert F. Burford, State Capitol, Denver, Colorado 80203; Lt. Governor Zell Miller and Rep. Thomas B. Murphy, State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia 30334; Senator Philip J. Rock and Rep. William A. Redmond, State House, Springfield, Illinois 62706; Lt. Governor Robert D. Orr and Rep. Kermit O, Burrous, State House, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204; Lt. Governor Terry E. Branstad and Rep. Floyd H. Millen, State Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa 50319; Senator Ross O. Doyen and Rep. Wendell E. Lady, State House, Topeka, Kansas 66612; Lt. Governor Thelma L. Stovall and Rep. William G. Kenton, State Capitol, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601; Lt. Governor William C. Phelps and Rep. Kenneth J. Rothman, State Capitol, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101; Senator William Mathers and Rep. Harold Gerke, State Capitol, Helena, Montana 59601; Lt. Governor Roberto A. Mondragon and Rep. C. Gene Samberson, State Capitol, Sante Fe, New Mexico 87503; Lt. Governor Wayne G. Sanstead and Rep. Vernon E. Wagner, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505; Senator Oliver Ocasek and Rep. Vernal G. Riffe, Jr., State House, Columbus, Ohio 43215; Lt. Governor Spencer Bernard and Rep. Daniel D. Draper, Jr., State Capitol, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105; Lt. Governor William W. Scranton and Rep. H. Jack Seltzer, Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120; Lt. Governor John S. Wilder and Rep. Ned R. McWherter, State Capitol, Nashville, Tennessee 37219; Lt. Governor William P. Hobby and Rep. Bill Clayton, State Capitol, Austin, Texas 78701;